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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-13. (canceled).

14. (currently amended): A portable communication apparatus having a display section and a key operation section, the key operation section comprising:

a first key section including a selection key pad which is used to select a desired information item from a plurality of information items displayed in a plurality of rows and columns on the display section, and an execution key used to execute the desired information item selected by the selection key pad; and

a second key section including a ten key pad, wherein the first key section and the second key section are provided close to each other and are disposed immediately below the display section,

wherein one of the information items is initially selected as a first information item, wherein the selection key pad comprises a first key, a second key, a third key and a fourth key,

wherein pressing the first key selects a second information item displayed in a row immediately preceding the row of the first information item as the first information item;

wherein pressing the second key selects a third information item displayed in a column immediately following the column of the first information item as the first information item;

wherein pressing the third key selects a fourth information item displayed in a row immediately following the row of the first information item as the first information item; and

wherein pressing the fourth key selects a fifth information item displayed in a column immediately preceding the column of the first information item as the first information item.

15. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein

the selection key pad comprises a plurality of movement operation keys for instructing a search direction to select a desired information item from the information items displayed in the display section, and

the execution key comprises an enter key disposed at a position sandwiched by the plurality of movement operation keys, for executing the selected information item.

16. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the first key section comprising the movement operation keys and the enter key is disposed with a space from the second key section.

17. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein

the selection key pad comprises a plurality of switch contacts each corresponding to respective different directions to select a desired information item; and

the execution key comprises a depression switch contact sandwiched between the plurality of switch contacts.

18. (canceled).

19. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the first key section and the second key section are provided in one housing.

20-22. (canceled).

23. (currently amended): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein:

if the first key is pressed and the row immediately preceding the row of the first information item does not exist, selecting a second information item displayed in a row furthest from and following the row of the first information item as the first information item;

if the second key is pressed and the column immediately following the column of the first information item does not exist, selecting a third information item displayed in a column furthest from and preceding the column of the first information item as the first information item;

if the third key is pressed and the row immediately following the row of the first information item does not exist, selecting a fourth information item displayed in a row furthest from and preceding the row of the first information item as the first information item; and

if the fourth key is pressed and the column immediately preceding the column of the first information item does not exist, selecting a fifth information item displayed in a column furthest from and following the column of the first information item as the first information item.

24. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the execution key has a calling function.

25. (previously presented): The portable communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the display section and the key operation section are disposed on one side of a housing of the portable communication apparatus.

26-30. (canceled).